

Aptos Branch Library Grand Opening

Key Stakeholder

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With experience spanning diverse projects from libraries and community centers to schools and hospitals, Mark is an architect whose 40-year career is defined by a commitment to design that builds communities and celebrates the public good.



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Quote/Statement

"As architects, we don't approach projects with a particular design solution and aesthetic in mind. And this attitude is especially important on projects with such uniquely public characters as libraries. So, when we started work on the new Aptos Branch Library building, we looked to community meetings not only to give us direction for the design, but to emphasize that Aptos residents are valued partners in creating a building that, ultimately, belongs to them. Beyond the functional requirements of the library as a public resource, what we heard was the desire for a welcoming and inclusive space that inspires curiosity, connects people with nature from forest to ocean, and celebrates both the history and future of Aptos. As the new library building opens its doors, we're excited to see a collaboratively determined outcome that isn't only a building, but a place with strong cultural meaning."